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Dear Ms. Best:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience. We received your request in this office on March 18, 2019 and assigned it case number 19-F-0915. We ask that you use this number when referring to your request.

The Records, Privacy and Declassification Division, (RPDD), a component of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), conducted a search of their records systems based on the information provided in your request. After thorough searches of the electronic records and files of RPDD, no records of the kind you described could be identified. We believe that these search methods were appropriate and could reasonably be expected to produce the requested records if they existed.

In this instance, fees for processing your request were below the threshold for requiring payment. Please note that fees may be assessed on future requests.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you may contact our OSD FOIA Public Liaison, Jim Hogan, at 571-372-0462 or by e-mail at OSD.FOIALiaison@mail.mil. Also, please note that the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) offers services to requesters who have disputes with Federal agencies. You may contact OGIS if you have concerns about the processing of your request. Their contact information is provided below:

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You have the right to appeal to the appellate authority, Ms. Joo Chung, Director of Oversight and Compliance, Office of the Secretary of Defense, by writing directly to OCMO Office of the Chief Management Officer, 4800 Mark Center Drive, ATTN: DPCLTD, FOIA Appeals, Mailbox# 24, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700. Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this response. Alternatively, you may e-mail your appeal to

osd.foia-appeal@mail.mil. If you use email, please include the words "FOIA Appeal" in the subject of the email. Please also reference case number 19-F-0915 in any appeal correspondence.

If you have any questions or concerns about the foregoing or about the processing of your request, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Namieka Mead at (571) 372-0411 or by e-mail at namieka.l.mead2.civ@mail.mil.

Sincerely,

Chief

Enclosure: As stated